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JEFF WILL NOT  
REFEREE FIGHT

His Demand for \$2,000 Con- sidered Extortionate.

NOLAN WON'T HAVE HIM

Ex-Champ Has Angered Nelson's Man- ager—George Siler Mentioned—No Fear of No-Bout.

By W. W. NAUGHTON.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 5.—Last evening Jim Jeffries wired James W. Coffroth as follows, from Los Angeles: "Two thousand dollars or it's off."

This message meant that Jeff wanted that sum for refereeing the Britt-Nelson fight next Saturday afternoon.

At midnight Billy Nolan, manager of Battling Nelson, said:

"Jeffries cannot referee this contest. It was agreed among Coffroth, Willie Britt, and myself when Jeff was selected that he was to be here five days before the contest. That meant that he should have been here today. He is not on the ground, and we will not accept him now. My choice for the position was Siler, of Chicago, and as Britt's choice has failed to comply with the agreement made, I think I should be allowed to name Siler. I will not insist, however. I am willing to meet Britt early tomorrow and try to reach a mutual agreement in regard to a referee. Jeff cannot act now. This is a decision of Nelson and myself, and is final.

Acted Shabbily.

"Jeffries has acted like a man who did not care for the job. He has received telegrams and has not answered them, and now when he should be on the ground he is asking for four times the price ever paid a referee, and telling people down where he lives that he does not care whether he takes the job or not."

Nolan's argument was in the nature of a bombshell as all day long the question was not whether Jeffries would be rejected but whether the fighters would pay him the price without any further parley.

Up to Fighters.

When Coffroth received the telegram from Jeff he said:

"I must refer this matter to the fighters. It's their affair entirely. I had no choice in the selection of a referee and I gave the principals to understand that if they picked an outside man they would have to pay his charges. I am not going to worry about the thing. I will simply place Jeff's demand before the managers and let them deal with it."

Willie Britt came in from the beach last night in answer to a telephone message from Coffroth and was closeted with the Colma promoter for a full hour. Seen later Willie was more tactful and less talkative than a Standard Oil man or an Equitable Life official in the presence of an interviewer.

Nothing Alarming.

"It's this way," said Willie, "when a chunk of unimportant information hits you suddenly between the ribs and the point of the jaw, you feel like standing away and sparring for wind. Now I've found during my career as a manager that obstacles which at first glance seem unsurmountable were easy enough to overcome if you went at them in the proper manner, and in the proper spirit. "Off-hand I should say that there is nothing to be alarmed about and I'd prefer not to commit myself further on the subject until tomorrow."

"Which means that Willie is taken aback and wants to talk it all over with Jimmy," interpreted a Colma Club official. When Willie and his clear had drifted around a corner to catch a beach car.

Nolan Is Sore.

Nolan could not be located by Coffroth until near midnight, but once Nelson's manager was found he did not mince matters. He made it plain that Jeff had missed his chance.

As the date of the fight is close at hand and the seats are selling like hot cakes, it is believed that Managers Nolan and Britt will soon reach a decision as to who is to substitute for Jeffries. Siler, who is to reach town in a day or two, will be one of the candidates and it is highly probable that Eddie Graney's name will be brought upon the boards again.

NAVY WALKED PLANK  
BEFORE COLUMBIAS

Nip and Tuck Game at Benning Lost by 4 to 2—Winners Bunched Hits.

In a nip and tuck game played in conjunction with the auto meet at Benning yesterday the Columbia Athletic Club, of the Capital City League, downed the Navy outfit of the Departmental League, by 4 to 2.

Both Fulcher and Bryan pitched good ball, but Columbia bunched its hits and got a pair of runs in the second. These together with one in the seventh and another in the ninth, gave the Athletics the victory.

The score:

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Taylor, cf.	0	0	2	0	0
Emerson, 2b.	0	0	3	0	0
Waple, 2b.	0	1	2	0	0
Mullin, c.	1	1	2	0	0
Stone, lf.	1	1	1	0	0
Fulcher, p.	0	1	0	2	0
Fernandez, ss.	1	0	2	0	0
Havens, 1b.	1	0	0	0	0
Beckett, rf.	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	4	5	27	12	2

Navy.

Hughes, 2b.

Bryan, p.

McCurran, 1b.

De Mar, cf.

Sutton, lf.

Dauherthy, ss.

Ellis, 2b.

Briggs, rf.

Clements, c.

Totals

C. A. C.

Navy

First base by errors—C. A. C., 2; Navy, 2.

Left on bases—C. A. C., 1; Navy, 3.

Struck out—By Fulcher, 6; by Bryan, 3. Bases—Nolan and Hughes. Umpires—Messrs. Sullivan and Thompson. Time of game—1 hour and 10 minutes.

## START IN THE POLICE RACE AT BENNING

MADE TRIPLE PLAY  
THEN FORFEITED

National A. C. Did Brilliant Fielding Stunt, But Wouldn't Obey Decision of Umpire.

A fast triple play by the National Athletic Club was the feature of the game with the St. Stephen's Institute at the Coliseum yesterday, which was awarded to the latter team in the seventh inning when the former players refused to abide with the umpire's decision.

With the score 3 to 1 in St. Stephen's favor in the seventh round, Fenton was hit by a pitched ball, but the Nationals claimed that he had placed himself in the way purposely, and refused to play the score.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Fenton, ss.	0	1	0	3	0
Carr, cf.	0	0	1	0	1
Carroll, 1b.	1	0	12	0	0
Heinrich, 2b.	1	0	0	3	1
Moriarty, 2b.	1	2	0	0	1
Lauder, p.	1	1	0	5	0
Steep, lf.	0	0	0	0	0
McQuade, c.	0	1	0	2	0
Handboe, rf.	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	5	5	20	16	3

National.

Hooks, 2b.

McCormick, ss.

Myers, c.

Woods, rf.

Grant, cf.

Young, cf.

Jenkins, 1b.

Garner, lf.

Krahling, 2b.

Graft, p.

Totals

St. Stephen's

National

First base by errors—Nationals, 3; St. Stephen's, 1.

Left on bases—Nationals, 4; St. Stephen's, 7.

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PRIVATE A. E. BROWN.  
He Won by Desperate Spurt.COWBOYS SHOT UP  
ALOYSIUS TOSSERS

In a game replete with hard hitting the Aloysius Club went down before the Cowboys, of the Printers' League, by 10 to 2.

Brown was unsteady at times, but his

teammates massed enough runs to win out.

TWO PENSIONS GRANTED.

Local pensions were granted today as follows: Francis J. Desaga, \$12 per month, and William Edgar Rogers, \$8 per month.

Benning Sport Program  
Excellent Attraction

Large Crowd Sees Well-Handled Contests of Many Kinds—Policeman Brown's Game Finish—Track Heavy.

A little of everything was on the carpet yesterday at Benning in the annual athletic games incident to the Labor Day celebration, and it was all witnessed by a large crowd.

The festivities began early in the day with field and track games and a baseball game in which the Aloysius club of the Capital City League defeated the Navy by 4 to 2. After this there were various field and track sports. The earlier events were published in The Times yesterday afternoon. C. M. Ashton and E. J. Briggs had been doing some practicing on the side and won the three-legged race, with E. Sutton and H. Waple second.

Ole Melle won the egg race for girls, with Florence Cadick second. The eggs had to be picked up and carried with a spoon, and several of the contestants disqualified themselves in their excitement by using their hands.

Brown the Winner.

The star features were bicycle race for policemen and the motor and auto races. Perhaps the most interesting of these was the race for the cops. All of the starters were well known and the Columbia Golf Club links. His score was 84, which was four up on Colonel Bogey at the finish of a comparatively close contest between the sixty or more members who entered.

The play lasted all day, that in the morning being a little ragged because of the showers which occasionally broke over the greens, and until the last contestant finished at 6 o'clock the outcome was always in doubt.

The handicap ranged from three to eighteen, and any number of winners had been predicted. Dr. Harding's finish being a surprise, because of his irregularity of play during the present season. But by steady driving and iron work he showed his old form. His score was:

Out.....4-4-5-4-4-3-6-4-10

In.....5-4-7-4-6-3-4-6-5-44

Dr. L. L. Harban was two down, Commissioner West and B. W. Woodruff were both three down, and Chief Waple, president of the club, was four down.

During the afternoon the match game between Teams B and the Original Crackerjack Invincibles proved an interesting contest. Team B winning by a score of 5-2. The full score follows:

T. P. Moran, capt. 11 Eug. Carusi, capt. 0

R. W. Woodruff 1 T. C. Dodge 0

M. E. Danforth 1 H. V. Sanford 0

Dr. C. A. Davis 1 James Baird 0

D. C. Jackson 0 Henry Waters 0

H. M. Crist 1 E. S. Duval 0

F. E. Sullivan 0 J. T. Hough 1

MacAdam 0 H. L. West 1

David Hastings 0

Preparations have begun for the annual fall golf tournament on the club links. All those who wish to contest should send their entries to Eugene D. Carusi.

## TURF.

With the hope of arranging a race in which the mile record will be lowered the Brighton Beach Racing Association has announced for the autumn meeting at Brighton a special event for three-year-olds and upward, all to carry 112 pounds, with sex allowance, at one mile, with special prizes offered in addition to the purse, \$500 if the Brighton Beach record is beaten and \$1,000 more if the world's record by Dick Wells, 1:37 2-5, is beaten.

William Shields, the young turfman who developed and sold the colt Oak-lawn for \$30,000 and the present owner of a good stable of race horses, yesterday was ordered to a Canadian health resort by his physician, who declared that Shields had no chance of ever being in good health again if he remained in New York. Shields formerly was a jockey, and though he grew into a 200-pound man, his efforts in reducing his weight when riding have served to break his constitution.

Pat Throop was first in of the four starters in the motorcycle race, with

There was another stirring finish along the same lines in the fourth race, in which there were four steam-machines of the same make. R. French was only a length in front of F. S. Cahill, with Mr. Engle third, and B. F. Anderson fourth.

Officials Congratulated.

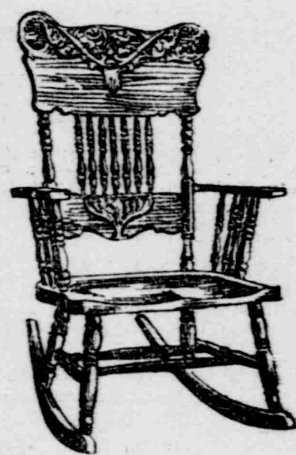
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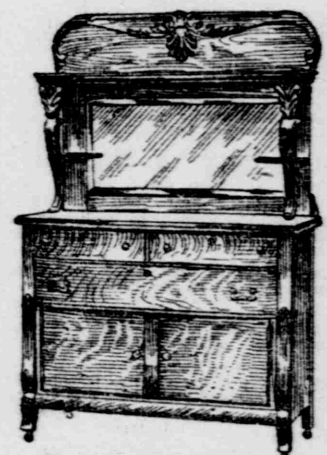
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Nationals vs. New York